

These are the draft minutes that will be approved on 7th December 2015

Present: Cllr Ian Tilbury (Chairman), Mr Peter Baker, Mr Gary Beecham, Mr Graham Gould, Mrs Marion Jones, Mrs Margaret Oram, Cllr Colin Phillimore, Dr Valda Stevens, Dr Adam Trickett, Mrs Laura Harley (Clerk), 5 members of the public, Mr Brian Elkins (Project Manager Neighbourhood Plan),

1.Public Time

1.1 Mr Elkins gave a brief report regarding the responses received by Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council (BDBC) to the Regulation 16 Consultation for the Neighbourhood Plan. 74 responses had been received in total, 21 from Statutory Consultees, 13 regarding Quidhampton, 7 from Dandara, 5 from and Overton resident, 5 in favour, 3 from landowners and developments, 4 regarding the removal of the Sapley Lane site (including a petition of over 200 names) plus 3 other miscellaneous comments. It was agreed that Mr Elkins would provide a more detailed report regarding the Neighbourhood Plan to the full parish council on 7th December 2015.

Cllr Phillimore asked why the parish council had not been included in the decision to appoint the Neighbourhood Plan Examiner.

1.2 Mr Langer was intending to attend the consultation event about the proposed Manydown development as he was concerned about the impact that this would have on traffic to the west of the borough area.

1.3 A parishioner expressed his concern about the proposed traffic calming at the Kingsclere Road/Church Road junction particularly with relation to the existing traffic calming to the north.

1.2 Public Transport

Mr Langer reported that he was waiting to hear from SWT about any changes to the timetables during the Christmas period.

Stagecoach Operations managers from Andover and Winchester and Transport Manager from BDBC had visited Overton on 30th October. It was intended to hold a meet the managers from 12.00noon – 7.00pm on 30th November to get feedback regarding the recent changes to services. Mr Langer had also notified the bus companies about the Sheepfair weekend in 2016.

2.Steve Williams re the Overton Recreation Centre (ORC)

Steve Williams, the chairman of the Overton Recreation Centre, stated that the ORC was formed fifty years ago to provide sporting facilities within the village funded by membership. With a lot of support the ORC now managed 30 acres of green spaces plus three buildings and provided facilities for sports such as cricket, tennis and football as well as other activities.

He hoped that the 50th anniversary celebrations in 2016 would to boost the profile of the ORC which would result in increased levels of participation and extend activities across the village. It was intended to hold a ‘join-in’ sport’s day on Sunday 8th May 2016 which would give people a free opportunity to participate in a range of sports. It was also intended to hold a Fun Run on Saturday 21st May, and a Town Meadow Open Day on Sunday 5th June.

The ORC had plans to improve facilities and made an expression of interest to apply for the money from the Local Infrastructure Fund (LIF) to provide an athletics centre at Berrydown and an upgrade of the Town Meadow Hut.

In the longer term it was hoped to provide a low cost sports barn for indoor sports which would include a multi gym and would also be suitable for large scale village gatherings.

Support from OPC would be required to support an application for LIF and to help shape emerging proposals for a sports barn using the ‘village hall site’.

Mr Williams asked if the ORC could have a flyer in ON&V in the early spring of 2016.

3.1 Absent councillors

Apologies were received from Kirsten Robinson and Lucy Sloane Williams.

3.2 Chairman’s announcements

Cllr Tilbury stated that the Library Service Transformation and Draft Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council Medium Term Financial Strategy would be agenda items for December 2015.

3.3 Future meetings

The next planning meeting would be on 24th November 2015. The next parish council meeting would be on Monday 7th December 2015.

3.4 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4) Sign and approve:

4.1 The Parish Council Meeting minutes of 14th October 2015

The minutes were signed and approved subject to minor amendments.

4.2 The Planning Meeting minutes of 27th October 2015

The minutes were signed and approved subject to minor amendments.

4.3 Review Action list

Councillors asked why there had been no further action regarding the Station Car Park.

Clerk to contact BDBC.

5.Planning Matters

5.1 Overton Neighbourhood Plan

There was nothing further to add.

5.2 Basingstoke and Deane Local Plan

The Local Plan inquiry was nearly complete. The Planning Inspector had asked for further information regarding housing numbers and would make comment in the New Year.

5.3 North Field

Overton Parish Council had objected to the planning application for the North Field (15/03489/OUT). It was noted that there had been in excess of 200 comments made to the borough council about the application. It was agreed to state in ON&V that the parish council had objected to the North Field application and that residents could still make comments to the borough council.

Article for ON&V.

5.4 Overton Hill

Mrs Oram, Dr Stevens and Mr Baker had attended a meeting with the developer of the new Overton Hill site. Dr Stevens gave a short report of the meeting:

Concern over the proximity of the first house in the development to no 53, the provision of visitor's parking, the removal of a large volume of earth so that the 2 1/2 storey buildings would not be prominent, the provision of a central green area, concern that the green areas would be adopted by a management company who would make an annual charge to householders, vehicular access would be via the existing Overton Hill site with emergency access to Station Road, there would be a turning space for refuse carts, the estate would consist of several cul-de-sacs due to the steepness of the site and this might cause a difficulty for bus access, there would be a 10m wide ecology corridor with no public access between Station Road and the new development, some dwellings would be split level front to back to fit in with the contours, it was intended to include 15 % of dwellings as Lifetime Housing, exteriors would either be flint, red brick or rendered with all properties being tenure blind, the affordable homes would be on five locations around the site, the developer agreed to speak to the OBS regarding the planting scheme to ensure that native trees and shrubs were used. It was intended to start building at the south end of the site at Easter 2016 and it would take 3 years to complete. It was noted that immediate neighbours only would receive an explanatory leaflet and there would also be a short article provided for ON&V.

It was suggested that an additional post box was required.

Clerk to investigate.

It was noted that BDBC enforcement team had still not made comment about the large sign erected in Station Road in May 2015.

Clerk to write to Planning.

6) Budget for 1st April 2016 – 31st March 2017

The budget as presented was agreed in principle which would result in a precept of £68581.00 (2% increase on 2015/16). It was agreed that this would be finalised at the January 2016 meeting.

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7) Highways and Rights of Way

7.1 Highways

There was still concern about the lines and signs at the High Street/Red Lion Lane junction. The white lines in Waltham Road (in the one-way section) needed repainting.

It was agreed that the parish council should now press for Station Approach to be adopted.

Clerk to contact HCC.

7.1.1 Outbuild Church Road Junction

It was noted that HCC had requested that the parish council advertise the consultation regarding the Kingsclere Road traffic calming to the north of the Church Road junction.

7.2 Rights of way

No further comment.

7.3 Parking in the village

It was hoped to arrange a meeting with BDBC officers before the end of November 2015.

Clerk to arrange.

7.4 Cycling strategy

Dr Trickett noted that the draft Cycling Strategy applied to Basingstoke town only but believed that strategies that applied to the town could apply to the village. There was a need for a strategic route from Basingstoke to Whitchurch. Dr Trickett agreed to write a response to the strategy.

Action AT.

8. Finance and Policy

8.1 Payments

The payments were signed by Mrs Sloane Williams and Cllr Tilbury and approved by all present.

BDBC	SLR	£1,120.00
Phill's Print	Printing N&V	£500.52
HCC Pension	Pension	£258.95
Laura Harley	Christmas lights	£257.74
OCA	Room hire	£152.00
TV Pest Control	Control moles SLPF	£144.00
Clerk	Salary	£951.79
Litter Picker	Salary	£435.50
N&V Editor	News and Views	£180.00

Balances

Current a/c	31.10.15	£2,128.62
Treasury a/c	31.10.15	£57,089.35

8.2 Discuss/approve:

8.2.1 Tokens for News & Views deliverers – it was agreed to provide tokens from Turner's Butchers for all the ON&V deliverers (non-councillors) at a cost of £370.00.

8.2.2 Cost of fencing the cemetery – a quotation had been received to fence the cemetery and councillors provided the names of two other contractors who could be approached.

Clerk to action

8.2.3 Approval of skip for the allotments – it was agreed that this matter would be considered in the New Year.

Future agenda item.

8.2.4 Purchase of dog poo bags for key points in the village – it was agreed not to undertake this.

8.2.5 Christmas tree lights – it was formally agreed to purchase Christmas lights for the Community Centre at a cost of £257.74 including VAT.

9. Representation on outside bodies

Mrs Jones had attended a recent meeting of the Overton Business Association and reported that plans for the Late Night Shopping on 27th November were going well. It was noted that

the Overton Sheepfair now had its own website and Twitter feed. Some discussion had been held on providing a 'home hub' in the centre of the village. It was agreed that the best use of the village centre phone box would be to house the defibrillator and it was agreed to contact North Waltham Parish Council about this. Members of the OBA wished to have some advice and funding to publish leaflets about village businesses.

Clerk to action.

10. Correspondence

No items.

The meeting finished at 9.25pm